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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
Robert L. CAMPBELL et al. :
Serial No. 10/087,942 : Group Art Unit: 1631
Filed: March 5, 2002 : Examiner: Ardin Marschel

For: **METHOD, APPARATUS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR FORMULATING CULTURE MEDIA**

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 21, 2004

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed April 21, 2004 requiring the election of species.

Election of Species

Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the following species:

- A. Parameter – molecular weight
- B. Test peptides – 5 amino acids (pentamers) wherein at least one amino acid position is nonvariable
- C. Culture media – chemically defined and for mammalian cell culture
- D. Space-filling design – coverage design

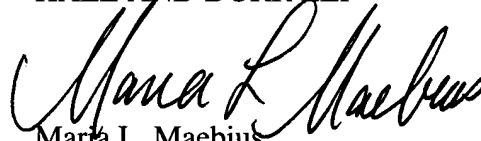
Applicants note that claims 1-15 and 18-30 read on the elected species. Applicants acknowledge that upon finding that the elected species is allowable over the prior art, examination would be extended to the additional non-elected species.

Conclusion

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required for this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 08-0219. It is not believed that any extensions of time are required for the filing of this paper. However, in the event that an extension of time is required, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to deposit account no. 08-0219.

Respectfully submitted,

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